

**INCIDENT MANAGEMENT SITUATION REPORT**  
**MONDAY AUGUST 18, 2003 - 0530 MDT**  
**NATIONAL PREPAREDNESS LEVEL 5**

**CURRENT SITUATION:**

Initial attack activity was light in all Areas. Nationally, 111 new fires were reported. Three new large fires were reported, two in the Northern Rockies Area and one in the Northwest Area. Seven large fires were contained, three in the Eastern Great Basin Area, two in the Rocky Mountain Area and one in the Northwest and Alaska Areas. Very high to extreme fire indices were reported in Alaska, Arizona, California, Colorado, Hawaii, Idaho, Minnesota, Montana, New Mexico, Nevada, Oklahoma, Oregon, South Dakota, Texas, Utah, Washington and Wyoming.

**NORTHERN ROCKIES AREA LARGE FIRES:**

An Area Command Team (Greenhoe) is assigned to manage Black Mountain 2, Cherry Creek and Fish Creek. An Area Command Team (Ribar) is assigned to manage Boles Meadow, Dirty Ike, Mineral/Primm, Cooney Ridge, Strawberry Complex, and Gold 1. An Area Command Team (Mann) is assigned to manage Crazy Horse, Robert, Wedge Canyon, Trapper Creek Complex and Little Salmon Creek Complex.

FISH CREEK, Lolo National Forest. A Type 2 Incident Management Team (Benes) is assigned. This incident is comprised of the Fish Creek, Thompson Creek, Surveyor Creek, Lower Quartz, Siamese Lake, Indian Creek, Middle Fork Indian Creek, Cedar Log and West Fork Indian Creek fires, 24 miles west of Missoula, MT. Overnight precipitation along with higher relative humidity levels and lower wind speeds resulted in low to moderate fire activity. Fireline was completed on the west flank of the Fish Creek fire along with successful burnout operations. Structure protection is in place for 75 residences and one commercial property.

BLACK MOUNTAIN 2, Southwestern Land Office, Montana Department of Natural Resources & Conservation. A Type 2 Incident Management Team (Dietrich) is assigned. A Type 1 Incident Management Team (Gelobter) has been ordered. This fire is in mixed conifer, understory and grass, nine miles west of Missoula, MT. Lower temperatures and higher relative humidity levels limited fire spread to ground fires and occasional single and group tree torching. Mandatory evacuations are still in effect for the O'Brien Creek, Cedar Ridge and Lyon's Ridge areas. Mopup and damage assessment are in progress in the communities. Structure protection is in place for 650 residences.

CHERRY CREEK, Lolo National Forest. A Type 2 Incident Management Team (Swope) is assigned. This fire is in lodge pole pine and heavy fuel loading, 12 miles southeast of Thompson Falls, MT. Lower temperatures and higher relative humidity levels reduced fire activity. Structure protection is in place for 180 residences.

COONEY RIDGE COMPLEX, Southwestern Land Office, Montana Department of Natural Resources & Conservation. A Type 2 Incident Management team (Sandman) is assigned. This incident, comprised of the Cooney Ridge, Middle, Three Mile, Holloman and Elk Mountain fires, is eleven miles east of Florence, MT. The fires were active with individual and group tree torching. The Cooney Ridge, Holloman and Elk Mountain fires burned together. Area roads remain closed. Structure protection is in place for 100 residences.

GOLD 1, Bitterroot National Forest. A Type 2 Incident Management Team (Philbin) is assigned. This fire is in heavy timber, nine miles northeast of Corvallis, MT. Fire activity decreased due to light precipitation. Structure protection is in place for six residences.

BOLES MEADOW, Southwestern Land Office, Montana Department of Natural Resources & Conservation. A Type 2 Incident Management Team (Hoff) is assigned. This fire is in mixed conifer stands and brush, 25 miles northeast of Missoula, MT. Moderate fire behavior was observed. Firefighters made significant progress on the active side of the fire. Structure protection is in place for 150 residences.

MINERAL/PRIMM, Southwestern Land Office, Montana Department of Natural Resources & Conservation. A Type 1 Incident Management Team (Bennett) is assigned. The fire is in timber, 19 miles northeast of Missoula, MT. Torching and uphill runs were observed with flame lengths of four to ten feet. The southeast portion of the fire continues to be difficult to contain.

DIRTY IKE, Southwestern Land Office, Montana Department of Natural Resources & Conservation. A Type 2 Incident Management Team (Chrisman) is assigned. This fire is three miles northeast of Clinton, MT. Fire behavior was limited to a few instances of individual tree torching and creeping ground fire in the interior.

STRAWBERRY COMPLEX, Lolo National Forest. A Type 2 Incident Management Team (Berndt) is assigned. This incident, made up of the Strawberry, Slide Rock, Brewster Creek, and Edelman fires, is in logging slash, 27 miles southeast of Missoula, MT. Fire activity was low to moderate with some isolated torching.

MILEPOST 59, Idaho State Forestry. This fire is in brush, grass, mixed conifer timber and slash, five miles northwest of Kamiah, ID. U.S. Highway 12 was closed due to rolling rocks and snags. State Highway 64 is also closed. Firefighters built new lines on the north and south flanks. Structure protection is in place for 16 residences.

HOBBLE, Southern Land Office, Montana Department of Natural Resources & Conservation. A Type 2 Incident Management Team (Larsen) is assigned. This fire is in timber and grass, six miles east of Greycliff, MT. This fire was declared contained on August 16. However, wind gusts of 30 miles per hour caused the fire to jump containment lines. The fire made significant runs to the east. Stephens Hill Road is closed and residences along that road are evacuated. Two residences and five outbuildings were lost. Structure protection is in place for eight residences.

EASTERN MONTANA COMPLEX, Miles City Field Office, Bureau of Land Management. A Type 2 Incident Management Team (Walker) has been ordered. This incident, comprised of the Swain, Buffalo Creek and Willey fires, are in timber and grass, 45 miles south of Miles City, MT. The Swain fire is contained. Structure protection is in place for 5 residences.

CATHEDRAL PEAK, Custer National Forest. A Type 1 Incident Management Team (Humphrey) is assigned. This fire is in timber, 10 miles south of Nye, MT. Minimal fire activity was observed due to an inversion. Structure protection is in place for 50 residences and one commercial property.

LINCOLN COMPLEX, Helena National Forest. A Type 1 Incident Management Team (Studebaker) is assigned. This complex is comprised of the Moose-Wasson and Snow-Talon fires, ten miles west of Lincoln, MT. There were moderate rates of spread with occasional torching and short range spotting. The decrease in acreage is due to more accurate mapping. Structure protection is in place for 25 residences.

CRAIG II, Northern Cheyenne Agency, Bureau of Indian Affairs. A Type 1 Incident Management Team (Stam) has been ordered. This fire is in timber, grass and old slash, ten miles west of Lame Deer, MT. Fire activity moderated due to higher relative humidity levels. Structure protection is in place for eight residences.

EAST, Yellowstone National Park. A Type 2 Incident Management Team (Gardner) is assigned. This fire is in timber, ten miles east of Fishing Bridge Junction, WY. Cooler temperatures and light precipitation slowed fire growth. The east entrance of the park remains closed. Structure protection is in place for five residences and 30 commercial properties.

BEAVER LAKE COMPLEX, Clearwater National Forest. A Type 1 Incident Management Team (Frye) is assigned. This incident, comprised of the Beaver Lake, Siah Lake, Moose Lake, Lily Lakes and Hopeful 2 fires, is 19 miles southwest of Missoula, MT. Fire activity moderated due to lower temperatures and light rain. The closure of State Highway 12 from Lolo, MT to Lowell, ID was lifted. Structure protection is in place for 25 residences and 24 commercial properties.

SLIM'S COMPLEX, Nez Perce National Forest. A Type 1 Incident Management Team (Mortier) is assigned. This complex is comprised of the Slim's and Poet Branch fires, 35 miles east of Grangeville, ID. Fire activity on the Poet Branch fire was high. Perimeter growth expanded in all directions. The Slim's fire experienced moderate fire behavior with upslope runs on the southwest corner.

CLEAR/NEZ COMPLEX, Clearwater National Forest. A Fire Use Management Team (Cones) is assigned. The complex is being managed to accomplish resource objectives. There are 14 fires in the complex. The proximal location is six miles southeast of Powell Junction, ID. Cloud cover, lower temperatures and higher relative humidity levels reduced fire activity. Individual tree torching with short range spotting was observed.

CAYUSE LAKE COMPLEX, Clearwater National Forest. A Fire Use Management Team (Cones) is assigned. The complex is being managed to accomplish resource objectives. This timber fire is ten miles northwest of Powell, ID. There are 18 fires in the complex. Fire activity was minimal due to cloud cover, higher relative humidity levels, and decreased temperatures.

NORTH HOWARD COMPLEX, Lolo National Forest. A Type 2 Incident Management Team (Kechter) is assigned. A Type 1 Incident Management Team (Frye) will take over tomorrow. This fire is in heavy logging slash and a variety of stand regeneration, 16 miles west of Missoula, MT. Fire activity was limited to creeping ground fire due an early morning shower. Structure protection is in place for five residences and one commercial property.

CRAZY HORSE, Flathead National Forest. A Type 1 Incident Management Team (Vail) is assigned. This fire is in mixed conifer with heavy dead and down fuels, 10 miles northeast of Saint Ignatius, MT. Winds increased in the afternoon causing isolated tree torching and moderate surface fire spread. Short range spotting was observed. Structure protection is in place for 250 residences and 15 commercial properties.

ROBERT, Flathead National Forest. A Type 1 Incident Management Team (Ferguson) is assigned. This fire is in timber, eight miles north of Columbia Falls, MT. Higher relative humidity levels reduced fire activity. Smoldering and creeping with occasional flare-ups were observed. The major road through Glacier National Park (Going to the Sun Highway from West Glacier Gate to Logan Pass) reopened. These areas also reopened: Apgar Visitor Center and village, Avalanche campground, Kelly Camp and Fish Creek Camps. Structure protection is in place for 140 residences and six commercial properties.

WEDGE CANYON, Flathead National Forest. A Type 1 Incident Management Team (Hart) is assigned. This fire is in sub-alpine fir with down fuels, 20 miles east of Eureka, MT. Fire behavior was minimal. Heavy fuels were burning out in the interior of the fire. Structure protection is in place for 80 residences.

TRAPPER CREEK COMPLEX, Glacier National Park. Two Type 1 Incident Management Teams (Ferguson and Hart) are sharing management responsibility for this complex. The complex, comprised of the Trapper Creek, Wolf Gun, Paul Bunyan and Trout fires, is in mixed conifer with dead and down fuels, 45 miles northeast of Kalispell, MT. The fires are in monitor status with no significant perimeter growth. The major road through Glacier National Park (Going to the Sun Highway from West Glacier Gate to Logan Pass) reopened today. Structure protection is in place for three commercial properties.

ROUGH DRAW COMPLEX, Gallatin National Forest. A Type 1 Incident Management Team (Oltrogge) is assigned. This complex, five miles southeast of Livingston, MT, is composed of the Rough Draw, Slippery Rock, Speculator 1, Speculator 2 and Hawley fires. Fire activity moderated due to increased relative humidity levels, lower temperatures, and an inversion over the area. Structure protection is in place for 18 residences and one commercial property.

WINDMILL COMPLEX, Crow Agency, Bureau of Indian Affairs. A Type 2 Incident Management Team (Szczebanik) is assigned. The complex is comprised of the Windmill, Aspen, Old Bear and Little Hawk fires. This incident is in ponderosa pine, sagebrush and rangelands, 17 miles east of Hardin, MT. The Little Hawk fire made a three mile run in fifteen minutes due to extreme winds from an approaching front. Precipitation was received after the wind event, which reduced the threat. Structure protection is in place for 50 residences.

WINSLOW, Central Land Office, Montana Department of Natural Resources & Conservation. A Type 2 Incident Management Team (Blume) is assigned. This fire is in timber, five miles southwest of Lakeview, MT. Active torching and short uphill runs were observed in heavier timber. Higher relative humidity levels and cooler temperatures moderated fire activity in lighter fuels. Structure protection is in place for 20 residences and one commercial property.

BURNT RIDGE COMPLEX, Lewis and Clark National Forest. A Type 2 Incident Management Team (Hendricks) is assigned. This complex, four miles northwest of Neihart, MT, consists of the Burnt Ridge, Ant Park and Pioneer Ridge fires. The Pioneer Ridge fire was contained. Some torching was observed on the other fires, but activity decreased overall due to lower temperatures and higher relative humidity levels. Structure protection is in place for 17 residences and one commercial property.

SHEEP COMPLEX, Helena National Forest. This incident is in grass and timber, 28 miles southeast of Townsend, MT. This incident consists of the Sheep Camp, Hidden Valley and Avalanche fires. Fire activity slowed due to precipitation and cooler temperatures. Structure protection is in place for two residences.

SPLIT ROCK, Nez Perce National Forest. This fire is in timber and grass, 45 miles east of Riggins, ID. The fire was smoldering until temperatures rose, then became active on the east side.

TYSON, Yellowstone National Park. This fire is in timber, 50 miles west of Cody, WY. Fire activity was minimal due to overcast skies and light precipitation. Structure protection is in place for eight residences and 16 commercial properties.

PINCHOT, Nez Perce National Forest. This fire is in brush, 21 miles northeast of Elk City, ID. Fire activity decreased due to higher relative humidity levels.

INCIDENT NAME	ST	UNIT	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC LOST	\$\$\$ CTD
FISH CREEK	MT	LNF	10,250	0	UNK	321	6	22	3	0	1.3M
BLACK MOUNTAIN 2	MT	SWS	7,316	0	8/25	466	10	17	5	2	575K
CHERRY CREEK	MT	LNF	4,000	60	UNK	445	9	14	5	0	3.2M
COONEY RIDGE COMPLEX	MT	SWS	15,260	10	9/15	571	14	30	3	0	1.4M
GOLD 1	MT	BRF	6,168	10	UNK	432	10	12	3	0	1.7M
BOLES MEADOW	MT	SWS	3,750	50	8/22	728	19	27	4	0	2.4M
MINERAL/PRIMM	MT	LNF	11,500	5	UNK	348	11	2	0	0	625K
DIRTY IKE	MT	SWS	850	90	8/30	313	7	9	0	0	1M
STRAWBERRY COMPLEX	MT	LNF	1,300	65	UNK	244	7	0	0	0	500K
MILEPOST 59	ID	MCS	5,500	55	8/19	184	5	8	5	1	504K
HOBBLE	MT	SOS	38,400	80	8/24	245	6	24	0	13	1.7M
EASTERN MONTANA COMPLEX	MT	MCD	18,508	50	UNK	224	4	23	1	0	NR
CATHEDRAL PEAK	MT	CNF	1,065	5	UNK	339	9	9	2	0	541K
LINCOLN COMPLEX	MT	HNF	5,223	0	UNK	290	10	8	0	0	820K
CRAIG II	MT	NCA	5,250	0	UNK	106	3	9	0	2	NR
EAST	WY	YNP	14,400	10	UNK	368	12	4	5	0	725K
BEAVER LAKE COMPLEX	ID	CWF	9,700	15	UNK	818	23	40	5	0	2.9M
SLIM'S COMPLEX	ID	NPF	12,250	65	8/25	331	8	8	6	0	13.5M
CLEAR/NEZ COMPLEX - WFU	ID	CWF	7,111	NR	UNK	31	0	0	0	0	151K
CAYUSE LAKE	ID	CWF	5,607	0	UNK	0	0	0	0	0	9K
NORTH HOWARD COMPLEX	MT	LNF	2,843	60	8/22	377	12	9	0	0	1.4M
CRAZY HORSE	MT	FNF	9,807	15	UNK	578	11	43	2	0	2.2M
ROBERT	MT	FNF	42,967	45	9/20	735	17	29	5	3	16.2M
WEDGE CANYON	MT	FNF	40,586	60	9/15	590	14	29	4	36	22.5M
TRAPPER CREEK COMPLEX	MT	GNP	24,053	65	9/5	25	1	2	0	1	3.4M
LITTLE SALMON CREEK COMPLEX -WFU	MT	FNF	21,135	N/A	N/A	89	1	0	1	1	1M
ROUGH DRAW COMPLEX	MT	GNF	1,968	5	UNK	525	9	31	7	0	2.4M
WINDMILL COMPLEX	MT	CRA	16,000	30	8/25	406	15	23	0	1	500K
WINSLOW	MT	CES	8,150	10	UNK	229	5	11	1	0	787K
BURNT RIDGE COMPLEX	MT	LCF	575	6	UNK	91	2	10	1	0	94K
SHEEP COMPLEX	MT	HNF	750	40	UNK	62	1	7	1	0	33K
SPLIT ROCK	ID	NPF	750	0	UNK	29	0	2	0	0	1K
TYSON	WY	YNP	149	25	UNK	25	1	0	1	0	NR
PINCHOT	ID	NPF	1,317	NR	UNK	1	0	0	0	0	1K

### EASTERN GREAT BASIN AREA LARGE FIRES:

WITHINGTON, Salmon-Challis National Forest. A Type 2 Incident Management Team (Muir) is assigned. This fire is seven miles south of Salmon, ID. Moderate fire spread due to a late breaking inversion was observed. Structure protection is in place for 66 residences and three commercial properties. Evacuations of the Sunset subdivision, involving 20 residences, remain in effect.

NORTH FORK LICK, Payette National Forest. A Type 2 Incident Management Team (Van Bruggen) is assigned. This incident, comprised of the Marble, Grimmet and North Fork Lick fires, is in sub-alpine fir with dead and down fuels, 18 miles northeast of McCall, ID. The fires are being

managed in a confine/contain strategy. Difficult terrain and no road access are hampering suppression operations. Group torching, large runs and backing were observed. No personnel were on the North Fork Lick fire due to extreme fire behavior. Structure protection is in place for 123 residences and two commercial properties.

CANYON CREEK, Boise National Forest. A Type 1 Incident Management Team (Martin) is assigned. This fire is in pine, sub-alpine fir, grass and brush, 20 miles northeast of Lowman, ID. Fire behavior moderated; isolated torching was observed. Highway 21 remains closed due to rolling debris.

SOUTH FORK, Boise National Forest. A Type 2 Incident Management Team (Saleen) is assigned. This fire is in ponderosa pine and mixed conifer, 25 miles northeast of Cascade, ID. Isolated interior torching associated with low to moderate backing fire on the north and northwest flanks was observed. Area roads remain closed to the public. Structure protection is in place for two commercial properties.

FALCONBERRY, Salmon-Challis National Forest. A transfer of command from Muir’s Type 2 Incident Management Team to a Type 3 organization will occur today at 0600. This fire is in grass and mixed conifer with dead and down fuels, 25 miles northwest of Challis, ID. Isolated torching and short uphill runs were observed. Structure protection is in place for one residence.

LOST PACKER COMPLEX, Salmon-Challis National Forest. This complex, comprised of the Waugh, Upper West Horse, Little Horse and Horse fires, is 36 miles northwest of Salmon, ID.

INCIDENT NAME	ST	UNIT	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC LOST	\$\$\$ CTD
WITHINGTON	ID	SCF	10,500	5	UNK	676	12	20	3	0	987K
NORTH FORK LICK	ID	PAF	6,253	NR	UNK	330	7	6	6	0	3.3M
CANYON CREEK	ID	BOF	5,475	55	8/28	719	24	9	7	0	2.4M
SOUTH FORK	ID	BOF	5,385	60	8/23	424	13	14	5	0	1.7M
FALCONBERRY	ID	SCF	17,300	NR	UNK	44	1	0	1	6	NR
LOST PACKER COMPLEX	ID	SCF	715	0	9/30	2	0	0	0	0	23K
FRANK CHURCH - WFU	ID	PAF	8,619	N/A	N/A	55	1	0	0	0	NR
CLEAR CREEK – WFU	WY	BTF	152	N/A	N/A	16	0	0	0	0	55K
REFUGE	UT	NWS	1,500	100	---	1	0	1	0	0	6K
MENAN	ID	IFD	10,000	100	---	55	0	10	0	0	NR
MACAFEE HILL	UT	NWS	292	100	---	22	1	1	0	0	NR

BTF = Bridger-Teton National Forest

NWS = Northwest State, Utah State Division of Forestry, Fire and State Lands

IDF = Upper Snake River District, Eastern Idaho Area, Bureau of Land Management

### ROCKY MOUNTAIN AREA LARGE FIRES:

NORTHERN BIGHORN COMPLEX, Bighorn National Forest. A Type 2 Incident Management Team (Mullinex) is assigned. This complex, comprised of the Little Horn 2 and Riley Point fires, is 35 miles northwest of Sheridan, WY. No new information was received.

SAWTOOTH, Routt National Forest. This fire is in blowdown and bug-killed spruce, 20 miles northeast of Steamboat Springs, CO. Creeping and single tree torching were observed.

NORRIS, Shoshone National Forest. This fire is 35 miles west of Cody, WY. Single tree torching, moderate ground spread and backing toward Fishhawk Creek were observed in timber.

INCIDENT NAME	ST	UNIT	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC LOST	\$\$\$ CTD
NORTHERN BIGHORN COMPLEX	WY	BHF	5,250	10	UNK	401	9	17	4	1	1.3M
SAWTOOTH	CO	RTF	200	10	UNK	29	1	0	1	0	NR
NORRIS	WY	SHF	180	20	9/1	25	1	0	1	0	105K
PINE RIDGE COMPLEX	SD	PRA	7,105	100	---	63	0	14	1	4	300K
COPPER MOUNTAIN	WY	WOD	2,501	100	---	40	0	5	0	0	NR

PRA = Pine Ridge Reservation, Bureau of Indian Affairs

WOD = Worland Field Office (North Zone), Bureau of Land Management

### NORTHWEST AREA LARGE FIRES:

CLOVER CREEK, Oregon Department of Forestry, State Headquarters. An Oregon Department of Forestry Incident Management Team (Thorpe) is assigned. This fire is in young stands of timber and grass with heavy concentrations in piles, five miles northwest of Keno, OR. Minimal fire behavior was observed.

BLACK CANYON, Washington Department of Natural Resources. A Washington Interagency Incident Management Team (Holloway/Reed) is assigned. This fire is in timber, five miles southeast of Northport, WA. Active burning in interior pockets of fuel was observed. Structure protection is in place for 183 residences.

TOGO MOUNTAIN, Colville National Forest. A Washington Interagency Incident Management Team (Jennings/Perry) is assigned. This fire is in timber, three miles east of Danville, WA. Spotting to the north into the Togo and Independence Creek drainages was observed. Fine fuels which received minimal moisture from Saturday's rain have dried out and are carrying the fire spread. The fire is less than one mile from the Canadian border and moving towards Canada. Structure protection is in place for 61 Canadian residences.

HAGELSTEIN, Oregon Department of Forestry, State Headquarters. An Oregon Department of Forestry Incident Management Team (Thorpe) is assigned. This fire is ten miles north of Klamath Falls, OR. Creeping with short runs was observed in grass and juniper. Highway 97 is closed due to debris from fire.

INCIDENT NAME	ST	UNIT	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC LOST	\$\$\$ CTD
CLOVER CREEK	OR	ORS	327	80	UNK	505	15	30	0	0	508K
BLACK CANYON	WA	NES	2,280	80	8/20	899	33	58	5	0	3.2M
TOGO MOUNTAIN	WA	COF	3,600	5	UNK	250	8	0	2	0	150K
HAGELSTEIN	OR	ORS	422	60	UNK	153	6	8	2	0	NR
NORTH ZONE COMPLEX	WA	MSF	172	100	---	269	5	7	6	0	2.7M

MSF = Mt. Baker-Snoqualmie National Forest

### SOUTHWEST AREA LARGE FIRES:

BLUE RIVER COMPLEX, Apache-Sitgreaves National Forest. This complex, comprised of the Steeple, Largo and Thomas fires, is in ponderosa pine, mixed conifer, pinyon pine, brush and grass, 18 miles south of Alpine, AZ. No new information was received.

INCIDENT NAME	ST	UNIT	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC LOST	\$\$\$ CTD
BLUE RIVER COMPLEX	AZ	ASF	NR	NR	UNK	1	0	0	0	0	NR
ANTELOPE – WFU	AZ	KNF	237	N/A	N/A	8	0	2	0	0	NR

KNF = Kaibab National Forest

### SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA AREA LARGE FIRES:

INCIDENT NAME	ST	UNIT	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC LOST	\$\$\$ CTD
COONEY - WFU	CA	SQF	1,500	N/A	N/A	49	3	0	0	0	57K
WILLIAMS FIRE- WFU	CA	KNP	200	N/A	N/A	12	0	0	0	0	10K
MOUNTAIN COMPLEX - WFU	CA	STF	714	N/A	N/A	34	2	1	1	0	54K

SQF = Sequoia National Forest

KNP = Sequoia and Kings Canyon National Park

STF = Stanislaus National Forest

### ALASKA AREA LARGE FIRES:

INCIDENT NAME	ST	UNIT	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC LOST	\$\$\$ CTD
PIPE CREEK	AK	AKS	446	100	---	18	1	0	1	0	191K

AKS = Alaska Division of Forestry, Central Office

## OUTLOOK:

**Weather Discussion:** An upper level low pressure area will very slowly make its way along the Colorado-Wyoming border today. Moisture and instability ahead and north of the system will spark thunderstorms today from the Southwest Area, northeastward into eastern Montana and the western Dakotas. Elsewhere in the west, dry conditions should prevail under a ridge of high pressure. Temperatures will also start to inch upwards today, along with a decrease in afternoon relative humidity.

<b>Geographic Area Weather</b>	<b>High Temperatures</b>	<b>Minimum Relative Humidity</b>	<b>Wind</b>
<b>NORTHERN ROCKIES AREA</b> Mostly sunny. Partly cloudy with showers and thunderstorms developing eastern Montana and North Dakota.	West of the Divide: 80 to 95 East of the Divide: 70 to 90	West of the Divide: 15 to 25% East of the Divide: 20 to 30% North Dakota 30 to 40%	West of the Divide: Diurnal winds East of the Divide: North to northeast 5 to 15 mph
<b>EASTERN GREAT BASIN AREA</b> Idaho, Bridger-Teton: Isolated thunderstorms Bridger-Teton. Mostly sunny and dry Idaho. Utah, Arizona Strip: Scattered thunderstorms eastern Utah. Mostly sunny and dry Utah, Arizona Strip.	Idaho, Bridger-Teton: 62 to 75 mountains, 75 to 88 valleys. Utah and Arizona Strip: 62 to 82 higher elevations, 75 to 95 valleys.	Idaho, Bridger-Teton: 22 to 40% mountains, 9 to 20% valleys. Utah, Arizona Strip: 20 to 40% mountains, 11 to 22% valleys.	Idaho, Bridger-Teton: Upslope/up valley 4 to 8 mph. North to northeast 5 to 15 mph ridge tops. Utah, Arizona Strip: Upslope/up valley 5 to 10 mph. Northwest to west 10 to 15 mph ridge tops.
<b>ROCKY MOUNTAIN AREA</b> Dry western Wyoming and northwest Colorado. Elsewhere, a few showers and scattered afternoon thunderstorms.	Highs in the mid 70s to mid 80s, except 90s over the eastern plains and 70s in the mountains.	15 to 20% over lower elevations of northwest Colorado, with 25 to 40% elsewhere.	Variable 5 to 15 mph, except south 10 to 20 mph over the eastern plains.
<b>NORTHWEST AREA</b> Sunny.	Warming, 80s and 90s	West of Cascades: 30% in the north to 15% far south. Eastside: 10 to 20%	Southwest to northwest 5 to 15 mph.
<b>SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA AREA</b> Sunny, except partly cloudy in the afternoon over the mountains and deserts.	70 to 85 coastal areas. 85 to 95 mountains. 95 to 100 valleys. 94 to 101 upper desert. 100 to 112 low desert.	15 to 30% desert. 10 to 25% mountains. 15 to 25% valleys. 40 to 55% coast.	Southeast to southwest 7 to 15 mph and gusty in the afternoon.
<b>NORTHERN CALIFORNIA AREA</b> Sunny, except for night and morning coastal low clouds and fog.	60s and 70s near the coast. Inland areas 80s higher elevations and lower 90s to 105 lower elevations.	8 to 18% east of the Sierra Cascade Crest and 10 to 22% west of the crest, except 40 to 50% near the coast.	Southwest to northwest 4 to 8 mph gusts 14 to 18 mph in the afternoon with a few higher gusts east of the Sierra Cascade Crest.
<b>WESTERN GREAT BASIN AREA</b> Partly to mostly sunny, slight chance for a high based thunderstorm over the central Sierra Nevadas, south of Lake Tahoe.	80s to 100s in the lower elevations, upper 70s to 80s in upper elevations.	5 to 15% north, 15 to 25% south, 10 to 20% Sierras.	Generally west 5 to 15 mph or slope-driven.



[http://www.nifc.gov/sixminutes/dsp\\_sixminutes.php](http://www.nifc.gov/sixminutes/dsp_sixminutes.php)

### **CONSTRUCTING LINE WITHOUT A SAFE ANCHOR POINT**

When deciding where to build fireline, the following considerations must be weighed:

- Can you hold the line without the fire hooking under/around you? How do you protect against losing the line and ensure your safety if there is a danger of the fire hooking around you?
- Are there adequate safety zones and escape routes? Review what constitutes an adequate safety zone and escape route. Who has the responsibility to designate them and continue to make sure they are adequate?
- Can you develop your starting point into an anchor point? List some good anchor points. Describe how you would develop your starting point into an anchor point.
- Have you posted good lookouts? Where should the lookout(s) be posted? Who can be a lookout?
- Do you have good communications? Who do you need to be in contact with? If the communications are not good, what can you do to improve them?
- To reduce the risks, start the line in another location. Talk about fires where you have had to relocate the line because your anchor point did not hold the fire.

**FIRES AND ACRES YESTERDAY:**

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES			0		1		1
	ACRES			1,391		115		1,506
Northwest	FIRES	1		1		2	17	21
	ACRES	1		0		1	2	4
Northern California	FIRES					15	4	19
	ACRES					2	0	2
Southern California	FIRES		3			11	2	16
	ACRES		0			0	0	0
Northern Rockies	FIRES	0	0		1	8	11	20
	ACRES	6,750	4,800		934	18,872	14,320	45,676
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES		2		2	3	10	17
	ACRES		1		1	32	10,823	10,857
Western Great Basin	FIRES		1					1
	ACRES		0					0
Southwest	FIRES						1	1
	ACRES						1	1
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	7	3				5	15
	ACRES	0	0				2,662	2,662
Eastern Area	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Southern Area	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
TOTAL	FIRES	8	9	1	3	40	50	111
	ACRES	6,751	4,801	1,391	935	19,022	27,808	60,708

**FIRES AND ACRES YEAR-TO-DATE:**

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES	1	14	22	10	374	12	433
	ACRES	20	40,271	260,687	3,712	258,383	2	563,075
Northwest	FIRES	198	176	10	37	1,274	851	2,546
	ACRES	17,817	12,762	9	14	44,032	115,805	190,439
Northern California	FIRES	100	58	7	6	1,676	628	2,475
	ACRES	53	11,579	2	6,511	18,013	16,550	52,708
Southern California	FIRES	47	88	10	46	1,954	630	2,775
	ACRES	853	2,499	360	217	30,305	6,810	41,044
Northern Rockies	FIRES	779	57	31	68	718	1,119	2,772
	ACRES	37,899	107,495	22,865	53,270	110,599	129,622	461,750
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES	50	668	4	34	533	745	2,034
	ACRES	18,459	129,753	1,060	2,632	28,724	113,467	294,095
Western Great Basin	FIRES	5	345	1	11	108	125	595
	ACRES	1	10,876	0	5	1,938	2,850	15,670
Southwest	FIRES	731	166	5	30	779	1,827	3,538
	ACRES	36,502	5,674	284	3,550	14,841	202,379	263,230
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	157	683	39	41	913	546	2,379
	ACRES	13,347	14,061	1,963	778	16,285	28,752	75,186
Eastern Area	FIRES	905		66	20	9,086	426	10,503
	ACRES	52,186		6,890	685	108,851	5,526	174,138
Southern Area	FIRES	127		38	11	11,133	325	11,634
	ACRES	21,318		6,279	756	174,599	8,799	211,751
TOTAL	FIRES	3,100	2,255	233	314	28,548	7,234	41,684
	ACRES	198,455	334,970	300,399	72,130	806,570	630,562	2,343,086

<b>Ten Year Average Fires</b>	<b>58,957</b>
<b>Ten Year Average Acres</b>	<b>3,173,767</b>

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**PRESCRIBED FIRES AND ACRES YESTERDAY:**

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Northwest	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Northern California	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Southern California	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Northern Rockies	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Western Great Basin	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Southwest	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Rocky Mountain	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Eastern Area	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Southern Area	FIRES						1	1
	ACRES						39	39
TOTAL	FIRES	0	0	0	0	0	1	1
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	0	39	39

**PRESCRIBED FIRES AND ACRES YEAR-TO-DATE:**

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES					6		6
	ACRES					1,555		1,555
Northwest	FIRES	40	92	17	3		217	369
	ACRES	8,178	10,907	4,484	123		29,008	52,700
Northern California	FIRES	2	7	112	16		127	264
	ACRES	31	267	21,145	2,193		9,712	33,348
Southern California	FIRES		2	3	6		170	181
	ACRES		27	621	3,218		13,675	17,541
Northern Rockies	FIRES	12	9	69	4	23	316	433
	ACRES	502	3,808	9,264	760	1,750	15,035	31,119
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES	1	17	3		9	24	54
	ACRES	18	3,791	300		910	6,200	11,219
Western Great Basin	FIRES		1		2		1	4
	ACRES		100		320		230	650
Southwest	FIRES	13	34	19	7	3	231	307
	ACRES	3,333	26,896	39,373	5,240	12	43,299	118,153
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	28	14	90	9	10	74	225
	ACRES	1,730	1,336	12,778	9,542	132	5,883	31,401
Eastern Area	FIRES	23		311	16	448	201	999
	ACRES	10,562		56,486	1,823	78,510	26,889	174,270
Southern Area	FIRES	53		270	70	13,166	1,196	14,755
	ACRES	19,379		95,845	83,289	765,324	923,046	1,886,883
TOTAL	FIRES	172	176	894	133	13,665	2,557	17,597
	ACRES	43,733	47,132	240,296	106,508	848,193	1,072,977	2,358,839

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**WFU FIRES AND ACRES YEAR-TO-DATE:**

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Northwest	FIRES						2	2
	ACRES						151	151
Northern California	FIRES						4	4
	ACRES						1	1
Southern California	FIRES				39		19	58
	ACRES				321		1,972	2,293
Northern Rockies	FIRES				3		48	51
	ACRES				602		32,635	33,237
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES				2		12	14
	ACRES				364		8,983	9,347
Western Great Basin	FIRES		6					6
	ACRES		2					2
Southwest	FIRES				7		15	22
	ACRES				3,500		159,608	163,108
Rocky Mountain	FIRES		18		2		3	23
	ACRES		1,551		0		1,869	3,420
Eastern Area	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Southern Area	FIRES				9			9
	ACRES				2,698			2,698
TOTAL	FIRES	0	24	0	62	0	103	189
	ACRES	0	1,553	0	7,485	0	205,219	214,257

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**CANADA FIRES AND HECTARES:**

PROVINCES	FIRES YESTERDAY	HECTARES YESTERDAY	FIRES YEAR-TO-DATE	HECTARES YEAR-TO-DATE
British Columbia	16	4,802	2,089	115,902
Yukon Territory	0	1,629	69	32,411
Alberta	6	1,548	970	48,041
Northwest Territory	4	8,985	153	117,360
Saskatchewan	4	2,031	547	110,806
Manitoba	11	19,201	1,030	375,457
Ontario	0	0	785	299,469
Quebec	6	48	622	64,092
Newfoundland	0	0	153	23,888
New Brunswick	0	0	173	181
Nova Scotia	1	2	233	1,286
Prince Edward Island	0	0	0	0
National Parks	0	16,155	79	62,641
<b>Total</b>	<b>48</b>	<b>54,400</b>	<b>6,903</b>	<b>1,251,534</b>

**RESOURCES STATUS: COMMITTED RESOURCES**

AREA	CREWS FED	CREWS ST/OT	ENGS FED	ENGS ST/OT	HELI FED	HELI ST/OT	AIRT FED	AIRT ST/OT	OVRHD FED	OVRHD ST/OT
Alaska	9	1								
Northwest	19	75	16	119	2	16			290	417
Northern California	1		15							
Southern California	13		8		6	1			18	
Northern Rockies	163	126	154	467	44	45			1839	1302
Eastern Great Basin	42	38	32	71	32	10			553	147
Western Great Basin										
Southwest									1	
Rocky Mountain	17	3	32	40	14	1			93	71
Eastern Area									7	
Southern Area										
<b>Total</b>	<b>264</b>	<b>243</b>	<b>257</b>	<b>697</b>	<b>98</b>	<b>73</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>2801</b>	<b>1937</b>

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